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SJBJ: COMMENTS ON THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF FUGITIVE JOSEF MENGELE

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SOURCE: A PARAGUAYAN PROFESSIONAL MAN WHO IS POLITICALLY ACTIVE AMONG THE PARAGUAYAN EXILE COMMUNITY IN BUENOS AIRES. HIS REPORTING IS OF UNDETERMINED RELIABILITY.

TEXT: 1. IN THE LATTER PART OF APRIL 1985, A PARAGUAYAN MONEY

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CHANGER, WHO HANDLES THE CURRENCY EXCHANGE NEEDS OF HIGH-LEVEL PARAGUAYAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, COMMENTED THAT INFORMATION WHICH HE HAD OBTAINED EARLIER IN THE MONTH INDICATES THAT FUGITIVE JOSEF (MENGELE) WAS SUSPECTED TO BE LIVING IN ONE OF TWO AREAS IN PARAGUAY. HE SAID THAT ONE LOCATION IS IN THE AREA OF THE CITY OF PEDRO JUAN CABALLERO, WHICH IS LOCATED NEAR THE PARAGUAYAN-BRAZILIAN BORDER. HE ADDED THAT THE SECOND LOCATION IS IN THE AREA OF THE CITY OF FILADELFIA, WHICH IS NEAR THE PARAGUAYAN-ARGENTINE BORDER. THE MONEY CHANGER ALSO SAID THAT, ACCORDING TO HIS INFORMATION, MENGELE SHUTTLES BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN THE GERMAN IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES LOCATED IN THESE TWO AREAS.

2. (SOURCE COMMENT: ACCESS TO THE GERMAN IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN PARAGUAY IS TIGHTLY CONTROLLED BY THE RESIDENTS. MENGELE COULD POSSIBLY RECEIVE SUPPORT AND PROTECTION FROM THESE COMMUNITIES.)

ACQ: (30 APRIL AND 21 MAY 1985).

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